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Mr. Ron Solimon Legal Assistant Pueblo of Laguna P.O. Box 194 Laguna, NM 87026 Pueblo of Laguna Legal Assistant

Re: Preparation of Reclamation Plan for Laguna Pueblo

## Dear Ron:

In order for the Pueblo to negotiate the terms of reclamation on a cash settlement with Anaconda, the Pueblo will need to have a definitive reclamation plan that accurately and thoroughly describes the Pueblo's position on the various reclamation issues. Anaconda will need these details in order to evaluate the Pueblo's position and to prevent misunderstandings on the issues.

The Pueblo will also need to present this plan when the Department of Interior (DOI) is preparing detailed instructions on how the site is to be reclaimed.

The DOI's controlled use alternative will become the preferred alternative and it differs significantly from the position of the Pueblo on numerous key issues. The Pueblo will need to provide the DOI with a plan to ensure that the DOI prepares instructions that are as close to the Pueblo's position as possible.

The Laguna proposal, as discussed in the PDEIS, represents the DOI's attempt to present the Pueblo's position on the reclamation issues. However, the Pueblo's alternative is described in only a few pages and does not provide the details required to prevent misinterpretations. In addition, the PDEIS does not accurately describe the Pueblo's position in all cases.

It would be very beneficial to the Pueblo to have Jacobs prepare a more detailed plan. Jacobs would utilize the Laguna alternative from the PDEIS, the concerns and positions presented in various Tribal Council resolutions, and discussions with the Pueblo to prepare a more detailed plan. The plan would provide a thorough description of each reclamation measure preferred by the Pueblo. The plan would also contain suitable maps and cross sections.

The plan would not be a fully engineered construction plan from which reclamation operations could be initiated. The preparation of a construction plan is not necessary at this time and may never be necessary. However, the reclamation plan would provide the details necessary to negotiate with Anaconda and to define the Pueblo's position for the DOI.

The reclamation plan could be prepared through a modification in our existing contract. Jacobs can prepare a draft reclamation plan, discuss the draft plan with the Pueblo, and prepare a final plan for a fixed price of (b) (4).

If I can answer any questions for you, please contact me.

Very truly yours, JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC.

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